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**Fresenius Medical Care  
Renal Care Group of the Northwest**

May 10, 2006

Janis Sigman, Manager  
Certificate of Need Program  
Department of Health  
P.O. Box 47852  
Olympia, WA 98504-7852

Dear Ms. Sigman:

In accordance with WAC 246-310-080, Renal Care Group of the Northwest hereby submits a letter of intent to expand our existing dialysis center in Chehalis by 6 stations. In conformance with the requirements of WAC, the following information is provided:

**1. A Description of the Extent of Services Proposed:**

Renal Care Group of the Northwest (RCGNW), an indirect subsidiary of Fresenius Medical Care Holdings, Inc. (Fresenius) intends to expand our Chehalis dialysis center by 6 stations. Upon project completion, the facility will have 13 stations.

**2. Estimated Cost of the Proposed Project:**

The capital expenditure associated with this project is approximately \$150,000.

**3. Description of the Service Area:**

The primary service area is Lewis County.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Sydney Hansen,  
Area Manager